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SUBJECT: MIDDLE EAST SECTION OF U.S.-ROMANIAN JOINT
DECLARATION

1. FINAL PARAGRAPH OF THIS MESSAGE CONTAINS THE MIDDLE
EAST PORTION OF THE JOINT DECLARATION ISSUED FOLLOWING
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MEETINGS BETWEEN PRESIDENT CARTER AND PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU.
FROM ONE MEDIA SOURCE, WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT EGYPTIANS
HERE ARE INTERPRETING JOINT DECLARATION LANGUAGE ON
MIDDLE EAST AS ENDORSING RETURN TO GENEVA CONFERENCE AND
TURNING AWAY FROM SUPPORT FOR SADAT INITIATIVE. WE HAVE
NO OTHER INDICATIONS OF THIS INTERPRETATION, BUT YOU MAY
ASSURE EGYPTIANS IT IS NOT REPEAT NOT CORRECT. JOINT

DECLARATION USES GENERAL LANGUAGE SUPPORTING NEGOTIATIONS
AMONG ALL PARTIES AND A COMPREHENSIVE SETTLEMENT
SIMILAR TO LANGUAGE WE HAVE CONSISTENTLY USED IN THE PAST.
IT IN NO WAY REFLECTS ANY DIMINUTION OF OUR SUPPORT FOR
SADAT INITIATIVE AND EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI NEGOTIATING PROCESS
WHICH ARE THE ONLY NEGOTIATIONS PRESENTLY EXISTING AMONG
THE PARTIES AND WHICH CONTINUE TO HAVE OUR FULL BACKING.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

TO ENCOURAGE EFFORTS AIMED AT A JUST, COMPREHENSIVE AND

LASTING PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT IN THE MIDDLE EAST, BASED ON
ISRAEL'S WITHDRAWAL FROM TERRITORIES OCCUPIED AS A RESULT
OF THE 1967 WAR, RESPECT FOR LEGITIMATE RIGHTS OF THE
PALESTINIAN PEOPLE, AND INSURANCE OF THE INDEPENDENCE,
TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AND SECURITY OF ALL STATES IN
THE REGION. TO THIS END, THEY EXPRESSED THEMSELVES IN
FAVOR OF NEGOTIATIONS AMONG ALL THE INTERESTED PARTIES
FOR SOLVING THE MIDDLE EAST SITUATION, WITH APPROPRIATE
REPRESENTATION OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE.

END TEXT. CHRISTOPHER

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